

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them



UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation the United States, was made possible

*Approved As
Read 11/7/86*

SPECIAL MEETING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1986

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m

Present: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, Kathy Hughes-Treasurer, L. Gordon McLester-Secretary, Mark Powless, David King-Council Members

Excused: Lloyd Powless, Lois Powless, Tony Benson-Council Member

Others: Janice Hirth, Barbara Schuman, Don Wilson, Chris Doxtator, Charles Leonard

AGENDA

Mark moved to adopt the agenda. Dave seconded. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION FROM JANICE HIRTH

On behalf of the Hotel Board, Janice presented the Business Committee two pictures for the Conference Room. These two pictures are the originals they had purchased from Mary Lemieux that are being used in the Hotel.

PERSONNEL - Barbara Schuman

- HIRING INFORMATION -

School Librarian - 20 Hours per week at the Tribal School - Grade 14: Anna Powless

- Creation of Two New Positions for Conservation - Temporary Maintenance Workers from October 1, 1986 - September 30, 1987 - Grade 14. These positions work on the upkeep of the Oneida Tribal Park System and any other maintenance work pertaining to Conservation.

Kathy moved to approve the request, Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

- Creation of New Position for Kalihwisaks. The Kalihwisaks Editor requested the creation of a new position of Photographer/Reporter. This position would be 20 to 40 hours per week depending on available funds. The person would be working with video equipment, doing layout work, drafting news stories, and helping coordinate news releases. Rick moved to approve the request, Dave seconded. Motion carried.

NOMINATION OF AMOS CHRISTJOHN FOR THE NATIONAL INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
ELDER OF THE YEAR AWARD - Gordon McLester

The NIEA Conference is in Reno, Nevada on November 20 - 24, 1986.

This nomination is because of Amos' continuing work in teaching the Oneida Language.

Rick moved to approve the nomination and the travel to the Conference. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR THE CONSERVATION ORDINANCE - Dave King

At amendments to the hunting regulations for the Oneida Reservation are proposed as follows:

- I. A. Permits
 - 1. Add "An Oneida Sportsmen's license must be in their possession."
 - 3. Add "A State Duck stamp is not required."
 - 5. Delete
- B. Special Permits
 - 1. After next to last sentence, strike, "may shoot from the road," and add "and must be 50 feet from the roadway."
 - 3c. Add I. "All group members must carry tribal identification card and Oneida Sportsmen's license."
 - 5. Add "Immediate family members of tribal members, not enrolled, may obtain an Oneida Sportsmen's special permit and special identification card."

Game Season is amended per Attachment A,B,C.

- 1. Add "on your own land within Reservation boundaries."
- 10. Add "it is encased and unloaded while in a vehicle."
- 14. Change effective date to read, "October, 1986."
- 17. Request legal clarification and interpretation by legal counsel.
- 18. Add "with slugs or muzzle loader during deer season."
- 19. Add "Crossbows are illegal unless a special permit is obtained through the state."
- 20. Add "no permanent tree stands are permitted on tribal land."

HUNTING REGULATION AMENDMENTS (Continued)

<u>Violations</u>	<u>Sanctions</u>
b.	Substitute "County Sheriffs Department" in place of Wisconsin State DNR.
e.	Insert - "2nd violation, \$500 fine."
d.	Change to - "1st violation, \$100 fine & loss of license for 1 year. 2nd violation, \$500 fine & subject to P.L. 280.
f.	- same as d. -
g.	- same as d. -
h.	- same as d. -
l.	Failure to pay duly assessed fine will result in the individual being subject to P.L. 280.
m.	Taking of illegal small game out of season. First violation, \$50 fine, second violation, \$100 fine & confiscation of license.

Hearings on above violations will be held on 2nd & last Tuesday of each month.

Trespass.

Add - "Notion in this ordinance shall be interpreted to mean that possession of a tribal license or sportsmen's permit allows hunting on private property, leased or assigned land without the owners, lessees, or assignees permission."

Rick moved to adopt the proposed amendments to the Conservation Ordinance.
Dave seconded.

Discussion followed on what effect this may have on individual tribal member's treaty rights.

2 yes votes, 3 no votes. Motion failed.

Mark moved that this matter be sent back to the Conservation Board for research as to the effect these proposed amendments may have on individual tribal member's treaty rights. Gordon seconded. Dave opposed. Motion carried.

CONSULTANT CONTRACTS - Don Wilson

Don requested permission to approve consultant contracts of up to \$3,000 without Business Committee approval.

Mark moved to defer this item to the new Finance & Appropriations Committee
Rick seconded. Motion carried.

CONSULTANT CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE TRIBAL SCHOOL AND ART SKENANDORE, SUSAN NINHAM AND DAN NINHAM

Art Skenandore's contract is for services as Cross Country Assistant Coach at a total of \$400 for 10 weeks.

Susan Ninham's contract is for services as Volley Ball Head Coach at a total of \$600. for 6 weeks.

Dan Ninham's contract is for services as Athlete Director and Cross Country Coach at \$800 for 10 weeks.

Mark moved to approve the three (3) consultant contracts. Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

PROPOSED TOUR OF SEYMOUR FACULTY

The Seymour Schools faculty is interested in a tour of the Oneida community. They Seymour Parent Group at their meeting on September 16, 1986, requested Harriet Alecia to set up the tour. They have set November 5, 1986 as the date. There will be approximately 25 persons for the tour. The points of interest are: Site 2 housing project; Museum; Health Center; Tribal School; Recreation Center-Tutoring Project; Bingo; Rodeway Inn. Perhaps having a snack with the Seymour Parent Group at the Rodeway. They would suggest 3 hours of time. The purpose of the tour is to give staff members, new and old, a chance to see the Tribal facilities (some in operation). They would like to ask questions of a Tribal spokesman and promote good public relations. We have 208 Indian students attending the Seymour Community Schools which is reason enough to provide the opportunity to build greater understanding between the two communities.

Mark moved to approve the request, Dave seconded. Motion carried. Gordon will coordinate the tour with Harriet Alecia.

RENTAL OF THE FORMER PETERSON FARM HOUSE - Chris Doxtator

The Land Committee recommends that Tom and Nancy Rasmussen be allowed to rent the house at \$375 per month.

Kathy moved to approve the recommendation, Dave seconded. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

PROPOSED - ONEIDA ENDORSE EARL/METZ - Charles Leonard

After examining all of the candidates for the office of Governor and Lt. Governor for the State of Wisconsin, the Oneida Business Committee has endorsed the candidacy of Anthony Earl for Governor and Sharon Metz for Lt. Governor.

EAR/METZ ENDORSEMENT (Continued)

The Business Committee expressed concerns over the positions of Tommy Thompson on several Indian Issues, particularly the issue of Indian Treaty Rights. Thompson has endorsed the creation of a presidential commission to review Indian Rights and consider the abrogation of treaties. Thompson also has aligned himself with groups in Northern Wisconsin who are opposed to the Fishing Rights guaranteed to Tribes through Treaties. Based on these two issues alone, he doesn't appear to be a Friend of the Indian.

In addition, Thompson has pledged a sweeping welfare budget cut across the board WITHOUT respect for any program. This means several social programs important to disadvantaged minorities would be categorically sliced. Those programs would include RNIP, AFDC, Alcohol and Drug Abuse programs, Higher Education and Health and Social Services funding.

In examining the records of Tony Earl and Sharon Metz, the Business Committee discovered they had worked hard to better the relationship between the state and tribal governments.

Both were active in the cigarette tax compromise which allows for the sharing of those tax benefits by both the tribes and the state. Both candidates supported increased scholarship programs for Indian students; and both supported budget amendments which increased law enforcement aids for counties that improved the quality of law enforcement services on Indian Reservations within their boundaries.

The Business Committee commended Governor Earl for his Executive Order #31 which directs state administrators, agencies and secretaries to cooperate with the Indian Governments in Wisconsin. The order directs state government to work with Indian governments in a spirit of negotiation as upheld through federal law and Supreme Court rulings.


The Oneida Tribe therefore is actively supporting Tony Earl and Sharon Metz. The Business Committee urges your support for these two officials and warns of dire consequences for Indians if they are not re-elected.

Kathy moved to approve the proposed endorsement of Earl/Metz letter, Mark seconded. Motion carried.

LAND ACQUISITION PLAN

The Business Committee agreed to review the Land Acquisition Plan on November 13, 1986.

10:00 Mark moved to recess, Dave seconded. Motion carried.


L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee